

WARNING GAS CHAIN SAW

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. **YOU** are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

REQUIRES 50:1 MIX FUEL ONLY!!!

⚠WARNING: Operating, servicing, and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to www.P65warnings.ca.gov

Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading, or unloading this equipment. During & after operation the Muffler & other components are Extremely Hot & will cause Serious Burns.

Never operate power equipment of any kind if you are tired or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication, or any substance that could affect your ability or judgment. Be alert! If you get tired while operating this equipment, take a break. Tiredness may result in loss of control.

Provide adequate ventilation when operating this equipment. Internal combustion engines consume oxygen & give off deadly carbon monoxide gas.

Do not tape down or otherwise by-pass any safety devices! Always operate this equipment from the designated operator's position.

Use extreme caution: The blade is very sharp! Keep your hands, feet & all other body parts clear of the blade at all times.

WARNING! KICKBACK may occur when the nose or tip of the guide bar touches an object, or when the wood closes in & pinches the saw chain in the cut. Tip contact in some cases may cause a lightning-fast reverse reaction, kicking the guide bar up & back towards the operator. **Pinching** the saw chain along the top of the guide bar may push the guide bar rapidly back towards the operator. ***Either of these reactions may cause you to lose control of the saw, which could result in serious personal injury or death.*** With the basic understanding of kickback, you can reduce or eliminate the element of surprise. Sudden surprises contribute to accidents.

CHAIN BRAKE: In an emergency, rotating your left hand forward against the front hand guard activates the chain brake. ***This locks the chain up so it will not turn.*** Carefully pull the front hand guard back to release it. **KEEP BYSTANDERS AT LEAST 50 FEET AWAY** from the operating saw to reduce the risk of being struck by falling objects, thrown debris or the saw chain.

NEVER OPERATE THE SAW AT AN ANGLE GREATER THAN 60 DEGREES in order to reduce the risk of being struck by falling objects during operation.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Always wear eye & hearing protection. We recommend wearing a face shield as additional face & eye protection.

Always wear a hard hat to reduce the risk of head injuries during the operation of this unit.

Wear sturdy footwear with non-slip soles to provide good footing. Steel-toed boots are recommended. Never operate bare-footed!

Wear non-slip heavy-duty work gloves to improve your grip on the saws handle. Wear snug-fitting clothes that also permit freedom of movement. NEVER wear shorts!

IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW

1. Never operate power equipment of any kind if you are tired or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication, or any substance that could affect your ability or judgment. Be alert - If you get tired while operating the saw, take a break. Tiredness may result in loss of control.
2. Carry the chain saw with the engine stopped, the guide bar & saw chain to the rear, & the muffler away from your body.
3. Do not begin cutting until you have a clear work area, secure footing, & a planned retreat path from a falling tree or branch.
4. Before you start the engine, make sure the saw chain is not contacting anything.
5. Keep the saw chain sharp & properly adjusted. **Note: Do not attempt any adjustments or repairs on this unit without first consulting A Tool Shed.**
6. Never allow young children or any person unfamiliar with the saw to operate it.
7. Do not operate this chain saw with the muffler removed.
8. Do not allow any persons near the saw while in operation.
9. Keep all parts of your body away from the chain when the engine is running.
10. Turn the engine off before setting the saw down.
11. Use extreme care when cutting small brush or saplings: slender material may catch in the saw chain & be whipped toward you or pull you off balance.
12. When cutting a limb that is under tension, be alert for spring back so that you will not be struck by moving limb.
13. Never operate a chain saw when in a tree. Do not overreach or cut above shoulder height.
14. Keep the handles dry, clean, & free of oil or fuel mixtures.
15. Never operate a chain saw with only one hand! Serious injury to the operator, helpers & bystanders could occur. **A chain saw is intended for two-handed use only.**
16. Do not use gasoline powered saw in deep trenches or other closed in areas without ventilation. Lack of ventilation could cause fatal carbon monoxide poisoning.

STARTING

Engage the chain brake, & place the chain saw on firm ground or other solid surface in an open area. Maintain good balance & secure footing. Grip the front handlebar of the saw firmly with your left hand & press down. Put the toe of your right foot into the rear handle & press down. With your right hand pull out the starter grip slowly until you feel a definite resistance & then give it a brisk, strong pull.

REFUELING

ALWAYS inspect the unit for fuel leaks before each use. During each refill, check that no fuel leaks from around the fuel cap and/or fuel tank. If fuel leaks are evident, stop using the unit. Use caution when handling fuels. Always shut the engine off & allow it to cool before refueling, move at least 10 feet from the fueling point before starting the engine. **NEVER** smoke while refueling or refuel by open flame or fires & never run the engine without the spark arrestor screen in place.

WARNING!

The ignition system of this equipment produces an electromagnetic field. This field may interfere with some medical devices such as a pacemaker. To reduce the risk of serious or fatal injury, persons with a medical device should consult with their physician and the manufacturer of the device before operating this equipment.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. **If** there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment.

DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!!

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH